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SUBJECT: UTAYBA VISIT TO WASHINGTON CANCELLED

(REFS) (A) ABU DHABI 973, TREASURY MSG 9552
1. OFFICE OF UAE OIL MINISTER UTAYBA CALLED TODAY TO EXPRESS
APOLOGIES

THAT MINISTER WILL BE UNABLE VISIT WASHINGTON MAY 1 AND 2 AS HAD
PREVIOUSLY BEEN ANTICIPATED. REASON IS IT NOW DEFINITELY DECIDED THAT
OPEC CONSULTATIVE GROUP MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE ON MAY 4 AT TAIF,
SAUDI ARABIA, AND THIS WOULD NOT GIVE MINISTER SUFFICIENT TIME TO
PREPARE FOR MEETING IF HE HAS APPOINTMENTS IN WASHINGTON ON MAY 2.
MINISTER UTAYBA THEREFORE WILL BE ARRIVING IN NEW YORK COMING FROM
JAPAN ON APRIL 27 TO ATTEND JOINT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING OF
SHAREHOLDERS OF ABU DHABI PETROLEUM COMPANY ON FRIDAY, APRIL 28.
MINISTER PLANS LEAVE NEW YORK ON APRIL 29 OR 30 TO RETURN TO ABU
DHABI.

2. MINISTER'S OFFICE REGRETS ANY INCONVENIENCE CHANGE OF
PLANS MAY HAVE CAUSED FOR WASHINGTON AGENCIES. THIS IS
SECOND TIME UTAYBA HAS HAD TO CANCEL VISIT TO WASHINGTON
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IN PAST YEAR FOR REASONS BEYOND HIS CONTROL. MINISTER
HAS ASKED ESPECIALLY THAT WE SEND HIS APOLOGIES TO
SECRETRARY OF TREASURY BLUMENTHAL.
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